



Cityscene

What's Happening in the City of Fairfax



Business NEWS

Restaurant/Pub Owners Invited to EDO Meeting September 6

The Economic Development Office is holding a meeting at 9:30 a.m. September 6 in Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, with owners of city restaurants and pubs to discuss issues which may impact them.

The meeting also will offer a presentation and updates on a number of upcoming initiatives, including:

- Rock The Block (**After Dark**), which encourages businesses to remain open after Rock the Block, which continues through October — and businesses are encouraged to develop promotions and incentives;
- the Zoning Rewrite, which goes into effect October 1; and
- a presentation by the CEO of Spotluck, an app that “spins” users to a local restaurant, or “spot,” and offers a discount on one at random.



This meeting is an initial step to develop a strategy to promote the City of Fairfax as a regional dining destination.

RSVP and information: 703-385-7851,
Christopher.Bruno@fairfaxva.gov.

If you're new to the city, welcome!
Call 703-385-7800
for new resident information.

City Council Makes Interim Appointment of Mayor, Recommends Special Election Date



Councilmember Jon R. Stehle, Jr. Councilmember Eleanor D. Schmidt Councilmember Jeffrey C. Greenfield Mayor Steven C. Stombres Councilmember David L. Meyer Councilmember Michael J. DeMarco Councilmember Janice B. Miller

The City Council has appointed Steven C. Stombres to serve as Mayor until city voters elect a new Mayor at a special election — and the City Council has requested a special election be held on February 7, 2017. This date must be approved by the Fairfax Circuit Court. (*Court ruling was pending at press time.*) Information: 703-385-7850.

The position of Mayor became vacant at noon on August 11, the effective date and time of Mayor R. Scott Silverthorne's resignation. Prior to his resignation, Silverthorne appointed Councilmember Jeffrey C. Greenfield as Acting Mayor, per City Charter; Greenfield served as Acting Mayor from August 5 through noon August 11.

On August 9, City Council held a special meeting. The sole item on the agenda was a closed meeting, permitted by Virginia law, to consult with legal counsel for legal advice and for discussion pertaining to the resignation of the Mayor. The televised meeting is archived on the city website.

On August 16, City Council held a special meeting to allow for public comment, to con-

sider the interim appointment of a Mayor, and to consider a date for a special election to fill the office of Mayor through June 30, 2018, the remainder of the unexpired term of Mayor.

City Council unanimously voted to recommend February 7, 2017 as the date for the special election. City Council also made an interim appointment of Stombres, a former City Councilmember from 2008-14, as the Mayor. The televised meeting is archived on the city website.

Mayor Stombres was sworn into office by City Clerk Melanie Crowder on August 17. The ceremony, archived on the city website, also is available on Cityscreen-12's YouTube channel.

In Virginia, cities are administered through a council-manager form of government, in which the city manager administers day-to-day operations of the city. City government functions have continued uninterrupted during this transition. Information: 703-385-7850.

Information about the electoral process is available from the Office of Elections: 703-385-7890.



Labor Day Car Show in Fairfax
Set for September 5: see page 2!

City **NEWS** AND Notes



Labor Day Car Show Rolls in to Fairfax September 5

Car enthusiasts can enjoy the 2016 Labor Day Car Show hosted by the City of Fairfax and the Clifton Lions Club from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. September 5 in the SunTrust Bank parking lot, 4020 University Drive, and on University Drive between Armstrong Street and Sager Avenue. The open car show includes a wide variety of cars, trucks and motorcycles — to participate, register at 703-830-2129 or www.labordaycarshow.org.

The free show includes live music, food, awards, and more. Donations are accepted; proceeds benefit Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Program and Life With Cancer. Information: www.labordaycarshow.org, 703-830-2129.

University Drive will close from Armstrong Street to Sager Avenue from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. September 5 for the event.

City Offices Close September 5 for Labor Day

City government offices will close September 5 for Labor Day. General District Court also will be closed (703-385-7866).

The CUE Bus will run on a Saturday schedule (703-385-7859).

Trash and recyclables will not be collected September 5. Monday and Tuesday regular collection will be provided on Tuesday, September 6 (703-385-7837). Customers who experience a delay in yard waste collection should leave items at the curb until collected.

Mosquito/Zika Information Meeting Set for September 7

Fairfax County Health Department representatives will discuss Zika and other

mosquito-borne diseases at a town hall presentation at 7 p.m. September 7 in the City Hall Annex. Topics will include Zika, what is known about the virus, and what residents can do to prevent it and other mosquito-borne diseases.

“Fight the bite” by implementing a household mosquito control program. Tip and toss standing water or treat it with safe larvicide “dunks” available at area hardware stores.

Wear long, loose, light-colored clothing when outdoors. Know the symptoms for West Nile virus and Zika virus and seek medical attention if needed.

Information: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/westnile/zika-virus.htm, 703-246-2411.



Support Blenheim at Taste of the Vine September 17

Support Historic Blenheim and enjoy an evening of food and wine at Taste of the Vine, a fundraiser to be held from 6:30-9:30 p.m. September 17 in the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway.

Tickets cost \$60 per person and include hors d'oeuvres by Villa Mozart, wine by Philip Carter Winery, music, a silent auction and more.

The event is sponsored by Historic Fairfax City, Inc. and proceeds will be used toward the preservation of city historic sites.

Information: 703-591-5305.

Music Abounds in Old Town Fairfax

Enjoy music in Old Town Fairfax. Events may be cancelled in case of inclement weather. Please bring your own seating. Information: 703-352-ARTS.

Sundays in September offers concerts at 4 p.m. Sundays in September in Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive.

Old Town Plaza Music Series is held at 7 p.m. Fridays (except fourth Fridays) in September in Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road.

Rock the Block continues to offer free music from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on fourth Fridays in Old Town Square through October. Food and drink is available for purchase. On September 23, enjoy *The Hackens Boys*.

Go green (and a little gold) with *Doc Nix and the Green Machine* at 6:30 p.m. September 17 in Old Town Square.

Go green at the Irish Folk Festival from noon to 8 p.m. September 24 at the Sherwood Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, and The Auld Shebeen, 3971 Chain Bridge Road.

SafeAssured ID Event Offered September 24

The police department, with the Optimist Club of Central Fairfax, will offer a SafeAssured ID System event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. September 24 by appointment: 703-273-2889; PoliceInformation@fairfaxva.gov.

The SafeAssured ID System provides parents with a full-color photo ID card and a mini-CD containing vital personal information accessible only by law enforcement.



Mason and Community Forum September 28 Includes Water Tower Rebuild Info

Keep abreast of George Mason University and community events and news by attending the Mason and Community Forum to be held at 7:30 p.m. September 28 in the City Hall Annex. Information: 703-993-8846. Among the topics for discussion is the rebuild of the Fairfax Water Tower on the Mason campus.

Be Ready '16: Election Information

Don't wait: tend to your voter information today! Is your voter registration up to date? Will you need to absentee vote? Visit www.vote.virginia.gov — and follow #BeReady16 on social media. General Election is November 8, and polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. that day.

City Seeks Input on Vision for 2035 Comprehensive Plan

The City of Fairfax seeks community feedback on the draft vision statement for the *2035 Comprehensive Plan*, the first step in the creation of a plan to guide the city in its growth and development during the next 20 years. Information: 703-385-7930.

The draft vision statement is a series of statements related to each of the various content areas in the *2035 Comprehensive Plan*, including land use, redevelopment, transportation, business, parks, historic preservation, and more. The vision statement is intended to describe Fairfax's values, aspirations, and shared image of what the community as a

whole wants the city to become in the future, and was developed based on feedback provided by the 2016 Community Survey, and discussions with City Council, Planning Commission, and various city boards and committees.

Read (and comment on) the *2035 Draft Vision Statement* available on Google Docs at www.tinyurl.com/vision2035, or stop by the Community Development and Planning Office, Room 207 in the City Hall Annex.

Comments on the vision statement also will be accepted at the September 26 Planning Commission meeting and by email to ComprehensivePlan@fairfaxva.gov.

City Considers Wastewater Lateral Repair Program; Outreach Meeting Set for September 21

The city is considering the establishment of a lateral repair and replacement program which would have the city share a portion of the costs with customers who experience failures within city streets and easements, as well as customers replacing piping.

City wastewater customers are invited to a community outreach meeting at 7 p.m. September 21 in the City Hall Annex to offer input and recommendations on this self-sustaining program. (*If established, the program would cost residential and business wastewater customers \$18 or \$36 per year, respectively.*) The City Council expects to hold a public hearing on the proposed program in October.

Repair of wastewater laterals — the individual pipelines that carry wastewater from individual buildings to main pipes — can be an expensive endeavor for property owners, who currently are responsible for the maintenance and repair of these lines.

Usually invisible for decades, wastewater laterals sometimes require repairs, particularly after a pipeline failure, and repairs are needed immediately. Often, at least a portion of the lateral runs under a public street, sidewalk or other municipal area.

Property owners are encouraged to obtain additional insurance for these potentially intensive, expensive repairs.

Information: 703-385-7850.



Holidays Affect Yard Debris Collection

When implementing a holiday schedule for curbside refuse collection, the city typically collects multiple days' worth of items on a single day. As a result, yard waste collection may be delayed for a number of days throughout the city, so please leave items at the curb until they are collected.

Document Shredding Service Available

City residents may participate in Fairfax County's free document shredding event from 8 a.m. to noon September 24 to the North County Human Services Center, 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston. Information: 703-324-5230.

Solid Waste Services Guide, Recycling Bins Available

What belongs at the curb? Find out in the *Solid Waste Services Guide*, available from the city website by request.

Residents may request new or additional blue recycling bins for curbside recycling service. Information: 703-385-7837, RefuseRecycling@fairfaxva.gov.

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INFORMATION: 703-385-7837



Fall for the Book September 25-30



Dozens of author- and book-related events in the City of Fairfax, George Mason University, and throughout the region

Complete schedule and information:
www.fallforthebook.org
703-993-3986



Northfax Information Meeting to be Held September 14

The public is invited to attend a meeting to discuss the project schedule of the Northfax intersection and drainage improvements project. Information: 703-385-7810, www.Northfax.com.

The meeting, at noon September 14 in the City Hall Annex, is intended for property owners and tenants in the area, as well as other interested parties. The Northfax project takes place at the intersection of Route 123/Chain Bridge Road and Fairfax Boulevard.

Find Real Estate, Personal Property Tax Info and Pay on Web

Web users now can find City of Fairfax real estate and personal property tax information and make payments in a single location. Visit eservices.fairfaxva.gov/taxes — or, from the home page, under the Online Services tab, click on “Tax, Bill Payments.”

Find current tax bills and tax payment records. Real estate tax records are public, but personal property tax information searches require a Social Security number or Federal Tax ID number.

Make a full or partial tax payment, review your account — or sign up for Fairfax City Alert to receive tax-related notices.

Payment can be made via e-check, credit card or PayPal; a convenience fee may be charged by the provider. (Reminder: many mortgage companies pay real estate taxes via escrow; check with your provider for information.) Information: 703-385-7900.

Screening Required to Hide “Junk” in Yards

Got debris? New zoning regulations in effect October 1 require outdoor storage areas of materials be screened from view from the first story of neighboring dwellings by landscaping, walls, or solid fencing. Additionally, outdoor storage areas (for household goods, materials, equipment, etc.) may encompass only up to 100 square feet in the rear half of residential lots.

Storage of materials and equipment for construction projects with valid permits will not require screening, provided the area is maintained in an orderly condition.

Information: 703-385-7820.

Prepare for Inclement Weather

Listen to the Office of Emergency Management: anticipate and arrange for the types of services needed for winter.

Think about last year’s winter season for inspiration and contact vendors and other service providers to arrange services you may need. Check with your neighbors or homeowner association for vendor recommendations. More tips and information: fairfaxva.gov/oem, 703-385-4856.

Personal Property Tax Payments Due October 5

Bills for personal property and motor vehicle license tax are due by October 5. Late payments will incur a 10 percent penalty plus interest.

To avoid long lines and delays, promptly check the bill and report any changes to the Commissioner of the Revenue at 703-385-7880.

No changes? Consider paying by check via mail or City Hall drop-boxes.

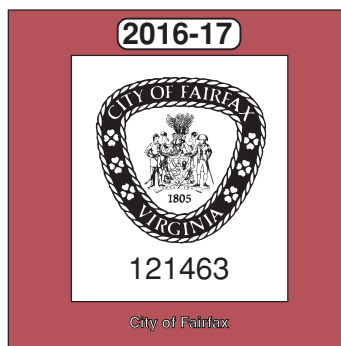
Bills may be paid in person, by mail or online. (See *the related article at left regarding Internet information and electronic payment options.*) If paying in person, please bring the entire bill.

Offices of the Treasurer and the Commissioner of the Revenue in City Hall are open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. as well as

until 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 5.

The 2016 personal property tax rate is \$4.13 per \$100 of assessed value. The Commonwealth will pay 44 percent of the tax for the first \$20,000 of a personal use vehicle assessed value. The tax reduction appears on tax bills as a credit. Both the personal property and the motor vehicle license tax must be paid to receive the city decal (pictured, above).

Decals will be mailed October 19 and decal enforcement begins November 15. Decals must be displayed on vehicles garaged in the city. Information: 703-385-7900 (tax payments), 703-385-7880 (personal property tax/assessment information).



Bond Refinancing Saves City Nearly \$2 Million

A recent refinancing of \$22 million of the city’s debt obligations will save nearly \$2 million in debt service costs by 2030 (the final maturity of the original loans), a net present value savings of 7.8 percent. The savings for the current fiscal year alone are about \$133,000.

The original financings, obtained in 2004 and 2005, funded the first phase of capital improvement projects for Fairfax High School, which was built in 1972, and Lanier Middle School, built in 1960.

In 2004, city voters overwhelmingly approved a referendum allowing the city to issue bonds for \$86.8 million to fund reno-

vations to permit the aging buildings to meet current specifications under today’s educational requirements.

These school buildings were brought up to current building code specifications. Improvements included new fire alarms, sprinkler systems and the proper electrical infrastructure to support technology requirements, which had vastly changed since the schools were built.

Boosted by exemplary credit ratings of Aaa/AAA, the City of Fairfax continues to find efficient ways to reduce government costs.

Information: 703-385-7872.

Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- Board of Architectural Review (one vacancy for city resident or architectural historian; one vacancy for city business representative)
- Commission for Women (one vacancy)

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission. Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Crowder. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Information: 703-385-7935.



CITYSCREEN SCHEDULE

Where to Find Cityscreen-12

- Verizon FiOS: Channel 12
- Cox Communications: Channel 12
- City website

The Fairfax Scene



Learn about the 50-year history of the City of Fairfax Independence Day Celebration.

Daily: 2 pm, 6 pm through September 14
Archived online: "special programming"

Watch highlights from Cops and Kids Day and National Night Out.

Daily: 2 pm, 6 pm beginning September 15
Archived online: "special programming"

Encore!



Encore musical performance, 4 pm daily.

City Council



Tuesday, September 6, 7 pm, LIVE
replays:

Wednesday, September 7, 10 am, 7 pm



Tuesday, September 13, 7 pm, LIVE
replays:

Wednesday, September 14, 10 am, 7 pm
Friday, September 16, 10 am, 7 pm
Saturday, September 17, 10 am, 7 pm
Sunday, September 18, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online September 14



Tuesday, September 27, 7 pm, LIVE
replays:

Wednesday, September 28, 10 am, 7 pm
Friday, September 30, 10 am, 7 pm
Saturday, October 1, 10 am, 7 pm
Sunday, October 2 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online September 28

Planning Commission



Monday, September 12, 7 pm, LIVE
replays:

Tuesday, September 13, 10 am

Thursday, September 15, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online September 13



Monday, September 26, 7 pm, LIVE
replays:

Tuesday, September 27, 10 am
Thursday, September 29, 10 am, 7 pm
Archived online September 27

School Board

September 12 meeting will be archived online beginning September 14 (*wideshot*).

Cityscreen-12 on DVD, Blu-ray

Cityscreen-12 programs are available for loan on Blu-ray and DVD. Information: 703-385-7850, WeCare@fairfaxva.gov.

Copies of some programs are available for purchase on DVD for \$15 and on Blu-ray for \$20.

Excerpts from city programs and meetings can be made upon request; cost is \$30 for DVD and \$35 for Blu-ray.

Information: 703-385-7803, Rachael.Roth@fairfaxva.gov.

MEETING INFORMATION AND AGENDAS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONFIRM PRIOR TO MEETING. CONTACT INFORMATION BELOW.



PROPOSED AGENDAS

City Council

(Information: 703-385-7935)

September 6 work session

- Joint discussion with the Planning Commission on the proposed property development on the Paul VI High School site, 10675 Fairfax Boulevard.
- Joint discussion with the Planning Commission on the vision statement for the *Comprehensive Plan*.
- Discussion of the future use of Green Acres site.
- Discussion of a rezoning, special exceptions, special use permits and variances for the Breezeway, LLC, at 10829 Fairfax Boulevard
- Discussion of an amendment to the *Fiscal Year 2016-17 Schedule of Rates and Levies* pertaining to the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances.

September 10 special meeting

- Bus tour of regional fire stations.

September 13 regular meeting

- Introduction of BPOL ordinance.
- Introduction of an amendment to the *Fiscal*

Year 2016-17 Schedule of Rates and Levies pertaining to the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances.

- Consideration of an award of contract to Volkert for the construction management of the Northfax project.

September 27 regular meeting

- Consideration of the State Performance contract with the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board.
- Consideration of the fiscal year 2016-17 Virginia Department of Transportation agreements.
- Consideration of the fiscal year 2016-17 Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation funding agreement.
- Consideration of a resolution to add Draper Drive signal to the Urban Program (for the purpose of transferring funds from an Urban project to Draper Drive).
- Public hearing on an amendment to the *Fiscal Year 2016-17 Schedule of Rates and Levies* pertaining to the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances.

Planning Commission

(Information: 703-385-7930)

September 12 meeting

- No agenda items have been set.

September 26 meeting

- Public comment on the *Comprehensive Plan Vision Statement*.

School Board

(Information: 703-385-7910)

September 12 regular meeting

- Presentations: student representative report; on tuition bill and FCPS fiscal forecast; summer school report; on school opening update; on updated School Board communications plan; on update of capital and administrative accounts.
- Approval of carry-forward of fiscal year 2015-16 funds.

September 19 work session

- Review the School Board fiscal year 2016-17 meeting schedule.



City Council Reporter

July 12, 2016

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of the 2016-18 City Council term proposed procedural and operational resolutions; Consideration of a request by the American Diabetes Association for an additional road race and event to be held in FY17, which requires a street closure; Consideration of Homeowners' Association Covenants for Cobbs Grove Subdivision; Consideration of a resolution to authorize the issuance and sale of one or more series of General Obligation Refunding Bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$23 million, provided certain market conditions are met, in accordance with the recommendations of the city's financial advisor.

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, to withdraw the zoning map amendment in conjunction with the repeal and readoption of the City Code Chapter 110 (Zoning), the application of the City of Fairfax to rezone the subject property from R-T6 - Townhouse to RT Townhouse; on the land at 9600 to 9630 Ridge Avenue.
- Approved, unanimously, amendments to the City Code Chapter 110 (Zoning) to

repeal the current chapter in its entirety and readopt the chapter with significant revisions to all articles and sections contained therein, including, but not limited to: zoning districts and regulations, site development standards, development review procedures, nonconformities, enforcement and penalties, and definitions. (Effective October 1, 2016.)

- Approved, unanimously, amendments to the City Code Chapter 86 (Subdivisions) to repeal the current chapter in its entirety and readopt the chapter with significant revisions to all articles and sections contained therein, including, but not limited to: administrative procedures, design and improvements, enforcement and penalties, and definitions. (Effective October 1, 2016.)
- Approved, unanimously, amendments to the City Code Chapter 7 (Domestic Beekeeping) and Chapter 38, Article III, Section 38-31 (Environment) pertaining to the keeping of honey bees. (Effective October 1, 2016.)

Items not requiring a public hearing

- Approved, unanimously, a resolution of city funding commitment for the Northfax intersection and drainage improvements project.

- Approved, unanimously, a construction contract to Branch Highways Inc. for the Northfax intersection and drainage improvements project.

July 30, 2016

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously, a resolution setting the allocation percentage for personal property tax relief (PPTR) in the City of Fairfax for the 2016 Tax Year at 44 percent. (Councilmembers Miller and Schmidt were absent.)

Fairfax Facts: Did You Know?

The city puts down more than 277 million pounds of new asphalt on city streets every year, spending \$1.8 million for all phases of the annual street overlay project.

Remember to report potholes to the Pothole Hotline:

703-385-7810, WeCare@fairfaxva.gov.

Secondary School Students Eligible for a Free Bus Pass

Middle school and high school students who live in and attend school in the City of Fairfax and Fairfax County may travel for free on CUE Bus and Fairfax Connector with a special pass available through their schools.

This program provides free rides on all CUE Bus and Fairfax Connector routes from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week. The pass is valid for one year. Students show the pass to the driver when boarding the buses.

At all other times, students must use

cash or a SmarTrip card. (CUE Bus offers reduced fares of 85¢ for primary and secondary students with a valid CUE Bus ID.)

All secondary school students may obtain a pass with parental permission via an application available from their school administration. Parents of home-school students should contact Thomas Italiano (titaliano@fcps.edu, 703-446-2000).

Fairfax Connector and CUE buses are fully accessible and equipped with bike racks. Obtain real-time bus arrival information via the NextBus app or website.

Input Sought on Future Multimodal Transportation Plan Via Special Website

Visit Fairfax's new multimodal transportation plan website, which will serve as a resource for public review and public interaction regarding the plan.

At www.fairfaxcitymultimodal.com, share experiences, ideas and opinions about transportation in the city — or send an email to TransportationPlan@fairfaxva.gov or call 703-385-7889.

When adopted, the plan will set a vision for city transportation and will identify improvements to safety and mobility that will sustain the city as one of the region's most vibrant and livable places.

Community Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS City Government Information 703-585-7855 City News and Events 703-273-1776 Arts and Cultural Events 703-352-ARTS City of Fairfax Regional Library 703-293-6227 Civil War Interpretive Center 703-591-0560 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703-385-8414 George Mason University Events 703-993-1000 Calendar information is subject to last-minute change.				1	2 Old Town Plaza Music Series, 7 pm, 3955 Chain Bridge Road Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	3 Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue Old Town Fairfax walking tour, 10 am, Fairfax Courthouse Kidz Korner, 10:30 am Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am to 2 pm, 10386 Main Street
4 Farmers' Market, 10 am to 2 pm, 10500 Page Avenue Yoga on the Square, 10 am, Old Town Square 7th Position Trombone Quartet, 4 pm, Old Town Square	5 Labor Day — City government offices closed; General District Court closed; CUE Bus runs on a Saturday schedule; refuse/recyclables are not collected Labor Day Car Show, 8 am to 3 pm, SunTrust Bank, 4020 University Drive, and adjacent University Drive	6 Monday, Tuesday refuse/recycling routes collected Economic Development Meeting with Restaurant and Pub Owners, 9:30 am, Old Town Hall City Council work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex LIVE 12 Board of Zoning Appeals work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	7 Wednesday Morning Tai Chi, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex Zika Town Hall meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex Environmental Sustainability Committee meeting, 7 pm, Historic Blenheim	8 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	9 Old Town Plaza Music Series, 7 pm, 3955 Chain Bridge Road Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	10 Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue City Council special meeting/bus tour, 8:30 am to 2 pm Kidz Korner, 10:30 am, Old Town Square Ratcliffe-Allison House free guided tours, 11 am to 2 pm, 10386 Main Street
11 Farmers' Market Second Sunday: The Yankee Schoolmarm and exhibit preview, 2 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center Yoga on the Square, 10 am, Old Town Square U.S. Navy Jazz Ensemble, 4 pm, Old Town Square	12 LIVE 12 Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex Evening Under the Stars, 7:30 pm, GMU Observatory	13 Yoga on the Square, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Storytime in the Park, 10:30 am, Old Town Square LIVE 12 City Council meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	14 Wednesday Morning Tai Chi, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Northfax Information meeting, noon, City Hall Annex Economic Development Authority meeting, 6 pm, City Hall Annex Historic Fairfax City, Inc. meeting, 7 pm, Historic Blenheim	15	16 Sherwood Cinema Series: Kung Fu Panda 3, 7 pm, Sherwood Center Old Town Plaza Music Series, 7 pm, 3955 Chain Bridge Road Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	17 Farmers' Market, 8 am to 1 pm, 10500 Page Avenue Kidz Korner, 10:30 am, Old Town Square Taste of the Vine, 6:30 pm, Historic Blenheim Goin' Green with Doc Nix and Mason's Green Machine, 6:30 pm, Old Town Square
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25 Fall for the Book Farmers' Market Yoga on the Square, 10 am, Old Town Square Used Book Sale, 1-3 pm, City of Fairfax Regional Library Sundays in September concert, 4 pm, Old Town Square	26 Fall for the Book Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex Evening Under the Stars, 7 pm, GMU Observatory 	27 Fall for the Book Yoga on the Square, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Storytime in the Park, 10:30 am, Old Town Square LIVE 12 City Council meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	28 Fall for the Book Wednesday Morning Tai Chi, 6:30 am, Old Town Square Mason and Community Forum, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex	29 Fall for the Book	30 Fall for the Book Old Town Plaza Music Series, 7 pm, 3955 Chain Bridge Road Bingo, 7 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. Information: today.gmu.edu, 703-993-1000 

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Schedule, Information: www.fallforthebook.org



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City Happenings

Guided History Walking Tour Offered September 3

Take a 90-minute guided tour of Old Town Fairfax. Tours step off at 10 a.m. September 3 from Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road. Cost is \$10 per person age 13 and older, \$5 for youth age 6-12 or \$25 per family (of three or more). **Information:** 703-385-8414.

History Lectures September 24 Part of Fall for the Book

Learn about *The Battle of Bristoe Station: Myth and Memory* at 2 p.m. September 24 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway.

Authors Rob Orrison and Bill Backus, with the Prince William County Historic Preservation Division, will discuss the many myths surrounding the Battle of Bristoe Station, the last major battle of the Civil War in Prince William County.

Backus' and Orrison's recent book, *A Want of Vigilance: The Bristoe Station Cam-*

paign, October 9-19, 1863 will be available for purchase. Book signing and refreshments to follow. **Information:** 703-591-0560.

Meet a Yankee Schoolmarm and Learn about Fairfax Education September 11

Meet the "Yankee Schoolmarm" at a free lecture at 2 p.m. September 11 at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street — and get a sneak preview of the museum's upcoming exhibit, *Chalkboards to Smartboards: Public Education in Fairfax County and Fairfax City*. **Information:** 703-385-8414.

Old Town Fairfax Events Are for All Ages

There's always something happening in Old Town Fairfax. Events may be cancelled in case of inclement weather. **Information:** 703-385-7858.

Children's Performance Series offers children's events at 10:30 a.m. on the first

and third Mondays of the month (excluding holidays) in Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive.

Storytime in the Park is held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays through October in Old Town Square.

Yoga in the Park is held at 6:30 a.m. Tuesdays and 10 a.m. Sundays through September in Old Town Square.

Wednesday Morning Tai Chi is offered at 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays through September in Old Town Square.

Kidz Corner provides a variety of children's events at 10:30 a.m. Saturdays through September in Old Town Square.

Sherwood Cinema Series Continues September 16

Watch *Kung Fu Panda 3* for free September 16 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Lights go down at 7 p.m. and participants may bring their own snacks.

From 7-9 p.m., *Britepaths* accepts donations of non-perishable food items. **Information:** 703-385-7858.